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EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: UN, SHUM, PFOR, CI

SUBJ: EX-PRESIDENT OF CHILEAN SUPREME COURT IN GENEVA

REF: SANTIAGO 5638

1. IN OUR 5638 WE NOTED THAT CHILE WAS PLANNING TO SEND A NUMBER OF PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS TO GENEVA FOR SOME SORT OF CONTACT WITH UNHRC WORKING GROUP. BLANCA ANINAT DE URRUTIA, WIFE OF FORMER SUPREME COURT PRESIDENT ENRIQUE URRUTIA, INFORMED AMBASSADOR AUGUST 26 THAT URRUTIA WAS NOW IN GENEVA, FOR A STAY OF ABOUT A WEEK. WE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN LEARNING OF ANY AVAILABLE DETAILS RE CHILEAN INPUT INTO WORKING GROUP'S ACTIVITIES.

2. COMMENT: THOUGH WELL IN HIS SEVENTIES, URRUTIA IS VIGOROUS AND ARTICULATE IN DEFENSE OF GOC POLICY. HE NORMALLY TAKES A HARD-LINE, ANTI-COMMUNIST POSITION. UNDER THE ALLENDE GOVERNMENT, THE SUPREME COURT STRONGLY RESISTED WHAT IT CONSIDERED ILLEGAL GOVERNMENT ACTIVITIES, BUT WHEN THE JUNTA ASSUMED POWER THE COURT STOOD ASIDE IN INTERNAL SECURITY MATTERS ON THE GROUND THAT UNDER CHILEAN LAW IT COULD NOT INTERVENE IN ACTIONS CARRIED OUT UNDER STATE OF SIEGE. A FEW MONTHS AGO, GOC PROPOSED URRUTIA AS AMBASSADOR

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TO FRANCE, BUT FRENCH REFUSED AGREEMENT. URRUTIA SPEAKS ONLY

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